

When trying to access the online [Oil & Gas database](#) after updating to Java 7 you likely got the message:

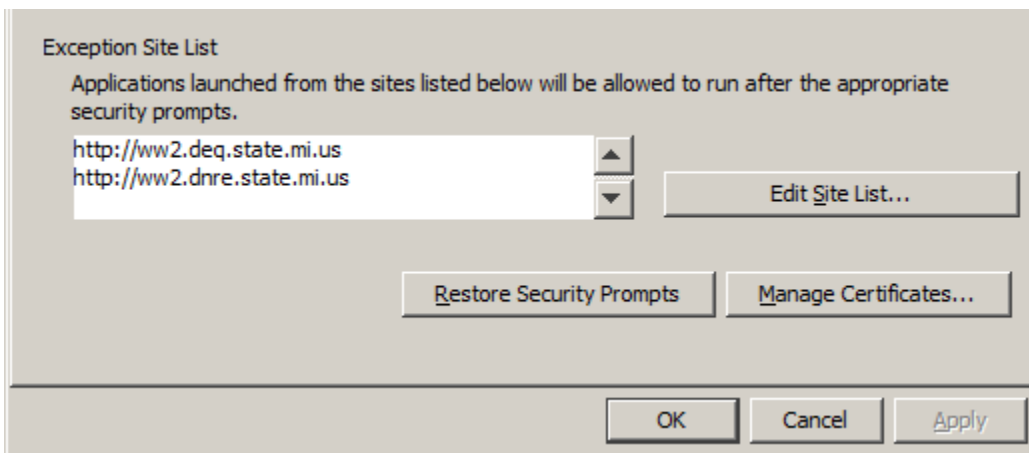
**“Java applications are blocked by your security settings”**

Java 7 has an enhanced security model to make user systems less vulnerable to external threats. The online Oil & Gas database was developed (long) before the Java 7 security requirements were implemented. The application is scheduled to be rewritten but there is no projected completion date at this time. This is one of the safest workarounds we have found so far. Please understand that there are potential risks involved.

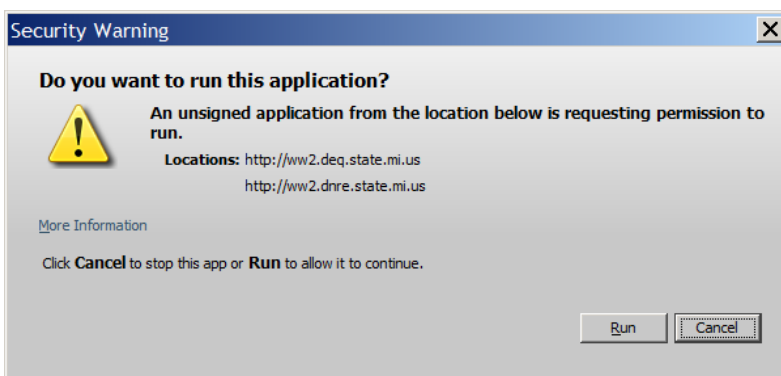
You will need to add some URLs to the Java “Exception Site List.”

**Steps to Add URLs to the Exception Site list:**

- ☐ Click Start / Setting / Control Panel / Java - the Java Control Panel will open
- ☐ Click on the Security tab (on the top of the panel)
- ☐ Click on the Edit Site List button (near the bottom of the panel)
- ☐ Click the Add in the Exception Site List window
- ☐ Click in the empty field under Location field to enter the URL <http://ww2.deq.state.mi.us>
- ☐ Repeat to add the URL <http://ww2.dnre.state.mi.us> the Exception Site List



- ☐ Click OK to save the URLs you have entered.
- ☐ Click OK to save/exit the Java Control Panel
- ☐ Start the online [Oil & Gas database application](#) and
- ☐ Click “Enter the system” - you will see the notice/warning display shown below.



- ☐ Select run to access the database.